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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This Preliminary Amendment is filed as a part of the national stage entry of PCT application PCT/EP2004/003630, which was filed on 5 April 2004, which, in turn, claims priority from German patent application number 103 17 241.6, filed on 10 April 2003. The fees for the claims should be calculated based on the claims remaining after the entry of this Preliminary Amendment, which results in 20 total and 2 independent claims. Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION – begin on page 2 and are reflected in the substitute specification submitted herewith in clean copy and marked-up copy versions.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS - are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS – begin on page 7.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS – begin on page 8.